

SEC. 18. Each House shall keep a Journal of its proceedings, which shall be printed and made public immediately after the adjournment of the General Assembly. ournals.

SEC. 19. Every member of either House may dissent from, Protest. and protest against, any act or resolve, which he may think injurious to the public, or any individual, and have the reasons of his dissent entered on the Journal.

SEC. 20. The House of Representatives shall choose their Officers of the House. own Speaker and other officers.

SEC. 21. The Lieutenant Governor shall preside in the President of the Senate. Senate, but shall have no vote, unless it may be equally divided.

SEC. 22. The Senate shall choose its other officers and also Other Senatorial officers. a Speaker (*pro tempore*) in the absence of the Lieutenant Governor, or when he shall exercise the office of Governor.

SEC. 23. The style of the acts shall be, "The General Style of the acts. Assembly of North Carolina do enact."

SEC. 24. Each House shall be judge of the qualifications Powers of the General Assembly and elections of its own members, shall sit upon its own adjournment from day to day, prepare bills to be passed into laws, and the two Houses may also jointly adjourn to any future day, or other place.

SEC. 25. All bills and resolutions of a legislative nature Bills and resolutions to be read three times, &c. shall be read three times in each House, before they pass into laws; and shall be signed by the presiding officers of both Houses.

SEC. 26. Each member of the General Assembly, before Oath for members taking his seat, shall take an oath or affirmation that he will support the Constitution and laws of the United States, and the Constitution of the State of North Carolina, and will faithfully discharge his duty as a member of the Senate or House of Representatives.

SEC. 27. The terms of office for Senators and members of Terms of office. the House of Representatives shall commence at the time of their election; and the term of office of those elected at the first election held under this Constitution shall terminate at the same time as if they had been elected at the first ensuing regular election.